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TO A PRODUCT AND APPLICATION DEVICE

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**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

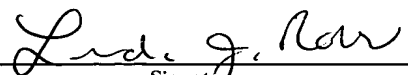
1. (Original) Method for applying a liquid mass to a product, in particular a dough product, comprising of providing a supply of substantially liquid mass, carrying a layer of liquid mass out of the supply and applying the mass from the layer onto supplied product, characterized by applying the layer to the product by splashing the layer.

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